

of emergency, there is no time to send these

round by the Cape, and it would be well if the Admiralty would take into consideration the urgent necessity for some scheme

for the quick despatch of these vessels.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
(SUPPLIED THROUGH RAUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND :—*Amansa*, Dec. 31 ;
Gloucester, Jan. 7 ; *Mien*, 11 ; *Benlmond*,
Deronsire, 18 ; *Pulhan*, 21 ; *Venus*,
26 ; *Gisela*, *Itawa*, *Melbourne*, *Anapa*,
Trieste, 28 ; *Oanpa*, *Oceana*, *Energia*,
Persfield, 31 ; *Ailsa Craig*, Feb. 1 ; *Do-*

pack, 2; Gerda, Bennoirtich, Sunda, 4;
Malacca, Hounslow, 8; Menelaus, Alton,

HOMEWARD BOUND:—Prinz Heinrich, Merionethshire, Pyrrhus, Bellona, Jan. 25; Rich or, Calcutta, 21, 14, 21.

Mails.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Bengal*, with the **ENGLISH MAIL** of January 21st, left Singapore on Monday, the 14th Feb., at 6 p.m., and will be expected here on or about Sunday, the 8th. Feb. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on Dec. 16th.

The P. M. s. s. *Peru*, with the **AMERICAN MAIL** of 26th Jan., left Yokohama on

Thursday, the 17th Feb., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 25th Feb.

The C. P. R. Co. s. s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 6.30 on Friday morning, the 13th Feb., and will leave at 4 p.m. of same day for Shanghai, where she is expected to arrive at noon on the 18th Feb.

The O. & Co. s. s. *Coptic*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 3rd Feb.

The P. M. Co. s. s. *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 12th Feb.

Shippers Expoted.

The N. Y. K. s. s. *Tokio Maru* left Thursday Island for this port on the 8th Feb., and is expected to arrive here on the 18th Feb.

The N. G. L. str. *Leimbro* left Singapore

to arrive here on or about the 18th Feb.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Tacoma* sailed from Yokohama, for Tacoma, on the 12th Feb.

The S. Y. K. s. s. *Matrusawa Maru* sailed from Yokohama, for Singapore, on the 14th afternoon, and is expected to arrive here on the 19th Feb.

The s. s. *Uda*, from New York, left Singapore on Tuesday, Feb. 15, and is due here on or about the 22nd Feb.

The s. s. *Lebanon*, from New York, left Singapore, left Singapore on the 18th Feb., and is due here on or about the 22nd Feb.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Branmar* sailed from Tacoma, for Hongkong and Japan, on the 1st Feb.

The C. M. Co.'s s. s. *Oran*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 31st Jan., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 18th Feb.

The s. s. *Chelera*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this

on Wednesday, the 16th Feb., at 2 p.m.

The O. S. Co.'s steamer *Dardanis*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of 17th Feb., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 22nd Feb.

The D. D. R. str. *Ceres*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on Thursday, the 17th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 24th Feb.

Latest Arrivals.

The P. & O. Co.'s str. *Malacca*, from China, arrived in London on the afternoon of the 18th Feb.

The B. M. str. *Benlue*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on 17th Feb. for this port.

The C. F. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of India*, from Hongkong, arrived at Shanghai on Monday, on Friday, the 18th Feb., and will leave for Hongkong on Sat., on Saturday, the 19th Feb., for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 8 a.m. on

Monday, the 21st Feb.
The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Socotra left Singa-

papers for this port on the 18th Feb.
4.5 p.m.

The *s. Glenlivet*, from Middlesboro,
London and Birnie, left Singapore
for this port on Friday morning, the
18th Feb.

CHURCH SERVICES.

UNION CHURCH—SUNDAY, FEB. 20.

11 a.m.—Voluntary; Arioso, *Mendels-*
sohn; Hymns, 181, 188 and 119;
Psalm, 8; Dupin; Anthem, 34, Con.
O. Hymns. What are thine that
are arrayed. Stainer; Voluntary,
"Allegro, Whitfield.

6 p.m.—Voluntary, "Andante," Spohr;
Hymns, 2, 351 (Tune 408), 406, 414
(Tune 42), and 487; Voluntary,
March, Mozart.

Sus Nicholas Hansen and family returned
from Bangkok to-day.

The Japanese Government has given an

order to a limited assistance in France for a first-class armoured cruiser of 3400 tons displacement and 17,000 horse-power, having a speed of 20 knots.

THE Teutonia Club at Singapore will take Prince Henry of Prussia upon his arrival there. He is expected in Singapore on the 22nd inst., and will probably spend four or five days there before sailing for Hongkong.

WE understand that the Kowloon School Committee is taking a scheme of the juvenile European population of the Kowloon Peninsula with a view to the removal of the agitation for a school for European children at Kowloon. The estimate are being filled in and are coming in very well.

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claims of Keweenaw for educational build-
ings will receive additional strength.

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Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
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SAGAMI MARU, T. MORAI,	SHANGHAI JENSEN. SHI- MONOSEKI and KOBE.	SUNDAY, 20th Feb., at Daylight
TOKU MARU, E. W. HANWELL,	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	MONDAY, 21st Feb., at 4 p.m.
MATSUMIYAMA MARU J. NISSET,	BOMBAY Via SINGAPORE (Teasipping Cargo for JAVA POAHS), and COLOMBO.	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Feb., at Noon.

OMI MARU, } SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, } FRIDAY, 26th Feb.,
C. Young, } Via THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE } at 4 p.m.
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